



Office of the Mayor

Proclamation



hereas:

in the past 20 years, medical science has made great strides in learning about substance use and the nature of addiction; and

WHEREAS, addiction is a chronic, relapsing illness that involves a number of brain chemistry disorders; and

WHEREAS, treatment for addiction is as effective as treatments for other chronic medical conditions, such as diabetes and high blood pressure; and

WHEREAS, substance use is a major public health problem that affects millions of Americans of all ages, races and ethnic backgrounds in all communities which presents huge medical, societal and economic costs; and

WHEREAS, thousands of health care providers have dedicated their lives to the recovery process and to the education of the public about alcoholism, drug dependence and treatment issues; and

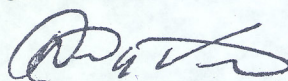
NOW, THEREFORE, I, David A. Varda, Mayor of the City of Upper Arlington, Ohio, do hereby proclaim the month of September 2001 as:

NATIONAL ALCOHOL AND DRUG ADDICTION RECOVERY MONTH

in the City of Upper Arlington, Ohio and encourage all citizens to support this year's theme – *We Recover Together: Family, Friends and Community* – by supporting men, women and youth who are in drug and alcohol addiction treatment and recovery.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Upper Arlington to be affixed this 1st day of August 2001.



Mayor